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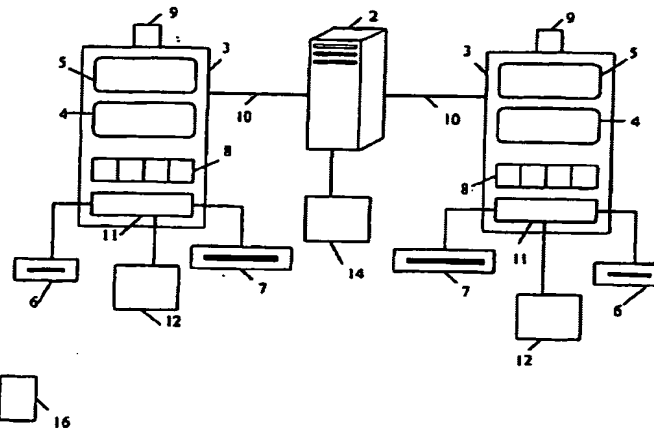
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(54) Title: SYSTEM FOR PLAYING A BINGO-TYPE GAME



(57) Abstract: A system for playing a bingo-type game comprises a number of player stations, a random event generator capable of generating a number of random events upon which an outcome of a game of bingo is based, a secondary display means corresponding to each player station, the secondary display means being instructable by the player station to display a simulation of the turn of the game of bingo, and a primary display means corresponding to each player station, the primary display means being instructable by the player station to display to a player a simulation of a turn of a different entertainment game. Each player station is operable by a player to place a wager on a turn of the game of bingo. The outcome of the turn of the game of bingo is either an unfavourable outcome in which the player forfeits the wager, and at least one favourable outcome in which the player wins a corresponding prize. The turn of the different entertainment game has an outcome that is unfavourable outcome when the outcome of the turn of the game of bingo is an unfavourable outcome, and an outcome that causes the player to win the same corresponding prize as the game of bingo when the outcome of the turn of the game of bingo is a favourable outcome.